

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

DANILO PORRO  
MICHAEL SAUER

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For: ASCORBIC ACID PRODUCTION  
FROM YEAST

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Examiner: Walter Schlapkohl

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**CUSTOMER NO. 23720**

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
DATED MAY 23, 2006**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2006, for which the three-month date for response is August 23, 2006.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Director is authorized to deduct said fees from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/2027.594097RE.

Reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the following amendment to the specification, listing of claims, and remarks.